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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2006, please consider the following remarks:

**REMARKS**

The Examiner has rejected claims 27, 28 and 30-47 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over U.S. patent 5,414,984 to Groshens et al. It is respectfully submitted that the rejection is incorrect and should be withdrawn.

Applicants initially point out to the Examiner that the present application is a divisional of U.S. patent application serial number 09/723,643 filed on November 28, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,658,835. The newly applied reference of Groshens et al. was not cited as a relevant reference by the Examiner during that prosecution and equally does not apply to the presently claimed invention. Particularly, Groshens et al. is unrelated to the art of carpet manufacture, and only teaches reinforcement threads for reinforcing existing woven or knitted fabrics and textiles. Groshens et al. does not teach or suggest the use of